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FOLLOWING REPEAT DAMASCUS 6557 ACTION SECSTATE 29 SEP 76.

QUOTE: S E C R E T DAMASCUS 6557

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: KHADDAM MEETINGS IN THE U.S.

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 6625, (B) STATE 241582

1. MET WITH KHADDAM AT 1345L. KHADDAM VERY ANXIOUS TO MAKE WASHINGTON BREAKFAST WITH SECRETARY AND MEETING WITH PRESIDENT ON OCTOBER 2. SAID THAT HE ATTEMPTING REARRANGE SERIES OF MEETINGS HERE IN CONNECTION LEBANESE SITUATION IN ORDER TO DEPART DAMASCUS FRIDAY. HE WILL CONFIRM NO LATER THAN MORNING SEPT 30 IF THIS WILL BE POSSIBLE.

2. IF LEBANESE DEVELOPMENTS COMPEL HIM TO REMAIN DAMASCUS FOR FURTHER DAY OR TWO, HE ASKED THAT I INFORM SECRETARY HE WOULD BE PREPARED TRAVEL TO ANY LOCATION IN STATES FOR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT. KHADDAM'S ONLY FIXED APPOINTMENT IS TO BE SECOND SPEAKER AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY MORNING

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OCTOBER 6. HE ANTICIPATES HE WILL HAVE TO DEPART NEW YORK

EN ROUTE DAMASCUS NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 7.

3. I TOLD FONMIN THAT IT MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF PRESIDENT'S OTHER HEAVY COMMITMENTS TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT UNTIL SEVERAL DAYS AFTER OCTOBER 6. HE REPLIED THAT HE WILL DO HIS UTMOST TO ARRANGE AFFAIRS SO HE CAN ARRIVE FRIDAY NIGHT BUT REITERATED HE READY TRAVEL ANYWHERE OUTSIDE NEW YORK MONDAY, TUESDAY, OR WEDNESDAY (AFTER HIS SPEECH) FOR MEETING.

4. RE PARA 2 STATE REFTEL, DAMASCUS 6525 WAS TRANSMITTED IMMEDIATE.

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